

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

--1. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone for executing a plurality of functions selected from hierarchically structured menus, the telephone comprising:

a plurality of execution keys for instructing execution of respective functions from the plurality of functions, wherein the number of the plurality of functions is greater than the number of the plurality of execution keys;

function assigning means for assigning selected ones of the plurality of functions desired to ~~respective~~ selected ones of the plurality of execution keys;

display means for displaying information;

a five-direction jog dial for movement in any of five directions, so as to perform input operations relative to the information displayed on the display means; and

~~function executing~~ control means for ~~executing~~ causing the function assigned to the execution key to be executed in response to ~~one of~~ a pressing of one of the plurality of execution key ~~and keys~~ or a movement of the five-direction jog dial,

wherein the plurality of execution keys is provided near the display means; and

the display means ~~displays~~ is controlled by the control means to display a waiting screen showing a plurality of short-cut icons equal in number to the selected ones of the plurality

of execution keys and representing the respective functions assigned to the selected ones of the plurality of execution keys by the ~~function assigning~~ control means,

wherein ~~the~~ each short-cut ~~icons are~~ icon is shown on the waiting screen ~~near~~ adjacent a corresponding one of the plurality of execution keys.

--2. (Cancelled)

--3. (Previously Presented) The portable telephone according to Claim 1, wherein the function assigning means assigns the function desired to the execution key regardless of a hierarchy of a menu containing the function.